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“This office belongs to the citizens of the 35th district.”

State Senator Michelle A. McManus

Baldwin rally was a huge success; keep the pressure on

Thanks to everyone who came out to Baldwin Aug. 25 to show your support for the Michigan Youth Correctional Facility and the hardworking men and women of Lake County. I spoke to nearly 600 concerned residents and workers who are terrified the governor is going to swipe their largest employer out from under them and knock them off their feet.

We have come a long way since the governor first proposed closing the MYCF. The Senate and the House have both approved balanced budgets that include full funding for the prison. But the fight is far from over. It is up to the governor now. We must keep the pressure on to prevent her from vetoing this funding. Keep calling, keep emailing and keep sending letters.

To write the governor, send letters and postcards to:
Governor Jennifer M. Granholm
P.O. Box 30013
Lansing, Michigan 48909

You can also call (517) 373-3400 or send a fax to (517) 335-6863. To contact her via the Internet, visit <http://michigan.gov/gov> and click on Contact the Governor on the right side of the screen.

Hurricane Katrina: How you can help

There are numerous of ways you can help victims of Hurricane Katrina as our nation continues to cope with the devastation on the Gulf Coast. Donations of funds, non-perishable food and supplies are being collected throughout the state. Michigan has established a hotline for non-monetary contributions. For more information, call (888) 535-6136 between 7 a.m. and midnight daily. Be prepared to provide your name, address and phone number as well as the nature and quantity of your donation.

You also can visit www.usafreedomcorps.gov for an updated list of organizations collecting donations. Some of the items that are most needed include:

- Non-perishable food items and baby food
- Diapers and wipes
- Soap, shampoo and deodorant
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Sanitary products
- Disposable plates, cups and utensils

- Napkins
- First aid supplies
- Trash bags
- Small toys
- Mosquito repellent
- Children's DVDs

Contact Me

My door is always open. Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding state issues. You can reach my Lansing office by phone at: 517-373-1725; toll free at 866-305-2135, or contact my Cadillac District Office at 231-775-8599. If you received this as a forwarded message and would like to receive future legislative updates via e-mail, you can sign up at my website: <http://www.senate.michigan.gov/mcmanus>.